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## **"ATILIM" PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING OF THE FRATERNAL ORGANS ORGANISED BY "PRAVDA"**

On behalf of "Atılım", the organ of the CC of the CPT, a delegation participated in the meeting of the organs of the fraternal communist and workers' parties organised by the central organ of the CC of the CPSU where over 60 were present. At the meeting where especially the problem "communists and peace" was discussed, the representative of "Atılım" underlined the unity of the struggle for peace with the struggle against anti-Sovietism. The representative pointed out that the lie of "Soviet threat" is used by imperialism and reaction as a weapon against all democratic and patriotic forces, and how "Atılım" is managing its publications in order to rebuff this lie. Underlined that the concrete description of the new Soviet peace proposals in regard of Turkey is among the most important tasks of the communist press of our country.

"Atılım" made during this meeting very useful exchange of experience and knowledge.

## **TOWARDS THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNIST AND WORKERS' PARTIES OF EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN, NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST, AND RED SEA**

The CPT participated in the preparatory work of the conference of the communist and workers' parties of the Eastern Mediterranean, Near and Middle East, and Red Sea. At the preparatory meeting of this conference, problems of the region were discussed. The mobilisation of the broadest sections of the people against imperialism, Zionism and reaction by the communists was underlined. It was declared that the struggle to strengthen the unity of the world communist movement will be further raised.



*"Atılım", 1 August 1981*

## COMMUNIST

The junta is at power for one year. It is ruling with men of the collaborating monopoly big bourgeoisie like Özal (1). It promised to "solve" the crises and to bring prosperity. It grasped at bayonets. Through planned searches and raids region by region, city by city, district by district, street by street, it made massive arrests. This attack is going on also nowadays. The attack is directed on the one hand on the fascist and "left" terrorist organisations, however, on the other hand, on the progressive forces and democrats who are the real enemies of terrorism.

However, the bourgeois papers are writing that the political, economic and social crisis could not be solved. The junta could and can not solve the crises which is shaking the capitalist society, and the power of the big bourgeoisie through bayonets and brutality. The ruling circles have tested this method and this way many times. Many times, there were military dictatorships, martial law, abolition of the parliament and abolition of the constitution. The ruling classes will not be able to step out of their vicious circle and out of the crises. They are manoeuvring, finding "new" methods and using them, in order to maintain their power. But all of these "ways out" and methods are against the people, as well as the national interests of our country.

One fact was clear immediately after 12 September. The main target of the attacks are the working class, its political and trade union organisations, and the progressive and patriotic forces. Hundreds and thousands of trade unionists, young activists, progressive intellectuals, men and women, communists, fighters of the national honour, the national independence and peace are detained. And the bloody tortures do not stop.

The bourgeois press is writing that there are "broad operations" of MIT (2), and new arrests. They are talking again from "crushing" the CPT. These are not new. Along 60 years, the reactionary forces have tried to enable this demand of them through the bloodiest forms. However, again like always, they are silencing for what the CPT and the communists are fighting for and what are they demanding. The junta is afraid to declare this. The big bourgeoisie is afraid of the exposition of its betrayal to the people and to the country.

The CPT and the communists are within the struggle. They are in the front-most line. They are holding themselves upright. They are hopeful. They are looking for tomorrow, perspective and liberation of our country and people confidentially. The Leninist discipline and the conviction to victory of the communist is unbreakable!

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(1) Deputy prime minister, responsible of economic affairs, ex-co-worker of the World Bank  
(2) National Information Organisation

## THE PLUNDER OF WHEAT

The government delivered low prices for wheat, subordinating itself to the dictates of the IMF. It did not create enough resources for the TMO <sup>(1)</sup> for buying. The decrease of the purchase power of the people by the 24 January Program by force, dragged the mounting industry into stagnation. But bread is the most essential and last thing of the people which it can sacrifice. Furthermore, despite of the increase in the population by one million, the wheat production did not make any important increase in one year. So, the industrialists, the bankers, the merchants, the agrarian capitalists, whole of the bourgeoisie made a concerted attack on wheat. Now, wheat is being stocked. The credits accumulated in the banks and which were untouchable because of the high interest rates, are now financing the wheat speculation. In a very short time, the prices for wheat, for meal, and bread will climb up like rockets.

The program of 24 January is overwhelming the burden of the collapse of the economy in crises first of all on the working people. It is increasing the influence of the monopolies within the state and the economy, as well as their profits. The rapid monopolisation is fanning the collapse. The plunder of wheat along the last months is one of the examples of this.

The same plunder happened also the previous year. At the expense of the producers, the speculators have profitted 30 billions TL. Although the government knew this fact, and despite of the warnings of the democratic forces (for example the journal: Arayış <sup>(2)</sup> ), the government delivered again low prices. Now, they are giving that which they have deprived from the producers to the USA. They are importing wheat. They are sending the foreign currency they have collected with difficulty back. Moreover, the merchants who know that the government can not find the hundreds of thousands of dollars in order to hinder the speculation, are continuing to stock. They are preparing themselves also to stock the wheat which will come from the USA.

Kenan Evren said: "We shall expropriate the wheat, if they would not stop the stockage". But the speculation did not stop. What is Evren waiting for?

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(1) State Office for Agrarian Products

(2) Journal published by Ecevit, former president of the Republican People's Party

## information

## THE ANTICOMMUNIST ATTACK WAS REFLECTED BY THE PRESS

The anticommunist attacks which have been intensified since May by the rightist military junta regime, and which is going on together with the anti-Soviet campaign of the most reactionary forces, was reflected by the press at the end of July. Newspapers "Hürriyet" and "Tercüman" wrote that 2000 persons are arrested after an operation called the "red lantern" with the accuse of being members of the CPT. Newspaper "Milliyet" declared that 1 500 persons, "Cumhuriyet" that 1400 persons are captured. They also argue that these



were members of the CPT. Newspaper "Hürriyet" wrote, that only in Bursa, İzmit, Sakarya, and Zonguldak, 393 people are arrested who are claimed to be members of the CPT. According to the news published by the newspapers, some of the arrested people are accused also with "spionage".

So, thousands of democrats, progressives, patriots, peace fighters are threatened to be punished according to the articles 141 and 142 of the penal code, articles adopted from the period of fascist Mussolini -Italy to the Turkish Penal Code and which were made more strong during the passed time. The trade unionists, members of the democratic mass organisations, scientists, journalists and writers, youngsters and women are forced under severe tortures to "confess" that they are members of the CPT. These democrats, who have not any relation with terror, who are representing the real interests of the people of Turkey in regard of national independence, democracy, peace and social progress, are intended to be bound at the chain of ban on the CPT and to be tried. As known, the article 141 of the Turkish penal code is banning the defense of the interests of the working class, the organisation in this regard, and it is prohibiting the CPT. The article 142 is being used to prevent the publication and spreading of the ideas and goals of scientific socialism.

### How the statements are received?

The detainees stay 90 days under interrogation. During this period, the most inhuman tortures are exerted on them. One leader of a factory council who has repelled the accusations with a great bravery, raising the honour of humanity, describes the procedure of his interrogation as the following:

"First they have let me to fill a form. Besides the questions on my name, address, work place, religion, language, and personality, there were also such questions: -How many members of İGD (Progressive Youth Organisation) are there in your factory? How many members of İKD (Progressive Women's Organisation) are there? -Did you participated in trade union education? -Did you go abroad? Why? They were not content with what I have written. Therefore they have taken me to torture. A harsh voice cried: "You are a member of the CPT. We have a report on you". I told them that I don't know what CPT is. Then the tortures began, in order to let me accuse the progressive people in our factory to be militants of the CPT and the progressive mass organisations to work with the CPT. I said to them that all of the workers are only working people. First the falaka (\*) started. After that they have beaten all of my body. Then the electroshock. By wetting my body they were increasing the effect of the electricity. The cables were bound to my hands, feet, ears and sexual organs. I was thrashed with sand bags. Inbetween I was put often to falaka. They wanted me to say that the leaders of the trade unions are members of the CPT. I told them: I don't know! The tortures lasted many days. Before every torture session they were forcing me to sing the national anthem. I was let hungry and thirsty for several days. Then they started to ask about the May Day celebration of 1978. "There were posters demanding freedom to the CPT. Did you carry one of them" they asked me. "Who was shouting freedom to the CPT? Which organisations carried the photos and pictures of Marx, Engels and Lenin?" I told them that the square was very crowded and I could not see who was carrying such posters and hundreds of thousands were shouting: freedom to the CPT. 15 days after this first interrogation period I was brought again to the torture chamber. They were asking questions about the members



of different organisations. I said: "Those people I don't know well. Therefore I can not say anything about their views". All these happened under severe electorshocks. In between they have tried to let me accept a murder. I could not accept a murder which was committed may be by a fascist, although I was feeling great pains under the severe tortures. Then they forced me to say that our trade union has dragged us into strikes by force. I told them that the boss did not give our money, all of the workers demanded to strike, and our trade union followed the decision of the workers. The torture continued under this accuse: "You want to surrender the country to Russia. You are a betrayer." I told them that there is nothing more valuable for me than the national independence. I said that the newspapers are writing that the IMF is ruling the economy of our country. That NATO is dictating to us what we should do. I told them those who are allowing to all these are the real betrayers, and I am against all these persons.

Under torture, they asked me all of the meetings, congresses, peace marches I have participated in. They asked me: What is Maden-İş? I answered: It is a trade union. "What is its views and aims?" -To defend the rights and interests of the workers" Is it bounded to the CPT?" I said no, it is affiliated to DİSK'

After two months, I was brought again to torture. The same questions were asked. For 7 days and 7 nights I was forced to accept that I read and distribute "Atılım". I told them that I never saw such a newspaper. At the end, they forced me to sign a statement consisting of 15 pages, my eyes closed. Then I was taken to the court to be arrested. The tactics of the police, of the tortureres were clear: Under heavy tortures, to force their victims to accuse the democratic mass organisations, their leaders and sympatizers with socalled "confessions". And to accuse the patriots who are defending the national independence and peace with "spionage".

### **Those who are arrested must be immediately released:**

After the press has declared that those who are arrested during the last attacks are accused to be members of the CPT, the only banned communist party in Europe, the radio station "Voice of the CPT", in a comment of its broadcast on 31.7.1981 said:

"They are exerting heavy tortures to the arrested democrats in order to get from them statements, that they were communists. Before a while, in Gölcük, a patriot committed suicide, letting behing a letter that he was forced under torture to sign a statement and to accuse innocent people through this way.

"Why are these attacks mounting nowadays? Because the court case against the MHP (\*\*) is on the agenda and the prosecutor announced the murders and armed revolt preparations of the MHP hiding itself behind the lie of "threat of communism." The stroy of "we have captured 2000 communists" is going to be used as a reason for the bloody murders of the MHP and to save Türkeş, the head of the murderers and his accomplices from being executed.

"Why are these attacks mounting nowadays? Because, US imperialism is increasing its pressure in order to make further use of Turkey in its adventu-rist foreign policy, to turn our country into an aggressive base against the neighbouring socialist and Arab countries. The CIA agent Komer who came to An-kara demanded from Turkey to make the enmity against the Soviet Union as an official policy and to accuse the Soviet Union to be "behind the terror in Turkey".



"Why are these attacks mounting nowadays? Because the deep economic crises is continuing although there are some signs of some improvements. The situation of the working masses is worsening day by day under the increasing exploitation of the monopolies. The sign of discontent at the rows of the working class is increasing.

"The extreme reaction started the attack on the democratic forces for that reason. Thousands of people are under severe torture, in order to produce false proves for the accuse of "terrorism" planned by Pentagon, for the "agent" stories, and for the lie of "Soviet threat".

"This crusade against the democratic forces must immediately end. The tortures must stop, thousands of citizens who were arrested unjustly must be released. The reaction is declaring that 2000 persons are arrested. So, it is threatening all of the democratic forces. The progressive people, the democrats, all honest people must not keep silence with regard of this insolence. The solidary with all antifascists and democrats and the protest against the repression and attack are the undelayable tasks of the democratic forces."

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(\*) A staff with a loop ropelet through two holes by which the feet of a person are held up for bastinado

(\*) Nationalist Action Party, the fascist party

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## ONE TRADE UNIONIST IS KILLED- REPRESSION CONTINUING

Kenan Budak, president of the Leather Workers' Trade Union affiliated to DİSK was killed by the security forces with the claim that he had not obeyed the command "stop". The brutal murder of Kenan Budak, against whom there is not a single accuse with "terrorism" arose protests at the rows of the working class.

On the other hand, Murat Parlakgün, the brach president of Food Workers' Trade Union to Bursa is detained with the argument "he had destroyed the documents of the trade union. The president of the Antalya branche, as well as 12 trade unionist of the Energy Workers' Trade Union are arrested with the accuse of "illegal activity".

Nizamettin Güneş, brother of Hasan Fehmi Güneş, the former minister of internal affairs from RPP and one of the lawyers of DİSK, is detained in Sakarya. He is accused to be member of the CPT and is under interrogation by a special torturer team.

Ahmet Taştan, the responsible director of Ürün, is punished with 9 years and 9 months imprisonment because of an article published by the journal. Taştan was also tried before 12 September because he had published the program of the CPT. But the process did not end due to the solidarity movement raised inside and outside the country.

Arif Damgacı is punished with 8.5 years imprisonment in İstanbul. His only guilt is, as described by the court, to be a member of the İGD (Progressive Youth Organisation) 20 Persons in Kaman in Kırşehir, among them the local president of Republican People's Party, are detained.

The independent mp to Mardin, Mr. Nurettin Yılmaz is arrested again with



the accuse of exercising divisionism and defending the rights of the Kurdish people.

The Workers' Party of Turkey is accused in a court case in Diyarbakır to be "the mother of Kurdism".

On the anniversary of the abolition of censorship in 1908, "Gırgır" the third big humor magazine of the world with half a million circulation was banned for four weeks. This humor magazine was publishing among others also caricatures opposing the aggressive and adventurist policy of US imperialism, the fascist and neo-fascist forces, the militarism and the attacks on the rights of the working class.

The famous playwright Rıfat Ilgaz is released. His health condition is very bad because of tuberculosis and he is now in the Narlıdağ sanatorium.

On the other hand, Mr. Erdal Atabek, president of the Association of the Doctors of Turkey is accused with being a "communist" and the organisation a "communist" one by the reactionary newspaper "Tercüman". The new law on the universities is approved by the National Security Council. The draft which was criticised by numerous professors, deans and educational staff is abolishing the autonomy of the universities. The draft donates the security forces with the right to interfere and raid the universities when "necessary", to dismiss the professors temporary or lasting. The draft is limiting the rights and authority of the university administration. It foresees that the rectors are to be appointed by the president of the state.

On the other hand, the National Security Council approved a further law permitting a special security organisation to work in private institutions and enterprises. A similar draft was prepared by the previous Justice Party government but could not passed because of the rising protest of the democratic forces.

The journal "Arayış" published by the former president of the Republican People's Party, in its issue of 15 July 1981 writes that the discussions on the new constitution will be also prohibited. The journal made public that the prohibitions on the political parties which was restricted further by the resolution No. 52 of the National Security Council will also continue during the work of the socalled "Advisory Constitution". "Arayış" points out that this ban will be also due when the plebiscite will be carried out.

## THE REPORT OF THE TURISH BAR ASSOCIATION

The Turkish Bar Association handed to the military junta and its government a report which is dealing with the measures and implementations limiting and narrowing the right of defense. The report which is signed by Mr. Attila Sav, the president, it is pointing out that "the Turkish Bar Association has to struggle against every kind of limitations on fundamental rights and freedoms".

The implementations directed to limit and to narrow the fundamental rights and freedoms and the right of defense, are listed in the report as the following:

- No information is delivered to the relatives of the detainees and prisoners.
- The preparatory investigation of the political affairs is not carried out by the prosecutors.
- The detainees are prohibited to talk to their lawyers.
- The lawyers are hindered to talk to the prosecutors, and the office of the



martial law courts don't deliver any information to the lawyers.

- The defenders are not let to investigate the documents of the court cases.
- The implementations during the meetings of the lawyers and the prisoners are anti-democratic and discrediting the profession of the lawyers.

In the report of the Turkish Bar Association the changes in the martial law implementation which are setting up the search of the lawyers during the visits into the prisons and before the court cases, is criticised and it is said: "The search of the lawyers is contradicting the principle in the laws that the defense is sacred".

The report of the Turkish Bar Association is ending as the following:

"A court system without defense can not be thought of. The efforts and services of the lawyers with great sacrifices, are the guarantees of the legality of the court cases. The contrary can not be thought of. The history did not accept any court system without defense".

## AN INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENT ON DİSK AND THE IMPORTANCE OF SOLIDARITY WITH DİSK

According to a news published by the newspaper "Cumhuriyet", Mr. Rasim Öz and Mr. Ercüment Tahiroğlu, the lawyers of DİSK (Confederation of the Progressive Trade Unions) announced that they could not find an indictment against DİSK at the documents and files of the martial law courts. As known, colonel Süleyman Takkeci, the chief prosecutor of the martial law court of Istanbul made an indictment public where capital punishment was demanded for Abdullah Baştürk, president of DİSK and 51 leaders. This indictment was announced by radio and television which is under the censorship of the junta.

According to the news of the daily "Cumhuriyet", the lawyers applied to the civil court of Bakırköy where the activities of DİSK against the state security courts were dealt with and demanded the investigation of the fact whether there is another court case against DİSK which is speaking on the same item. The civil court of Bakırköy decided to apply to colonel Süleyman Takkeci at the 2nd martial law court. After that, the lawyers of DİSK stated that they have looked to all files and documents, but could not find any indictment prepared against DİSK. Then they accused colonel Süleyman Takkeci who has demanded capital punishment against 52 leaders of DİSK and stated that they are going to open a counter-court case against him.

The news of newspaper "Cumhuriyet" is being commented by the progressive forces, that the ruling circles started to hesitate after the solidarity movement with DİSK has got very big dimensions. On the other hand, the fact that the indictment could not be found, could have different aims like to deceive the public opinion, to weaken the solidarity movement, to bound the court case with another one or to hide the indictment for a while. The progressive forces of our country are pointing out that under such conditions the raising of the solidarity with DİSK is carrying a much greater importance.

### The solidarity with DİSK is raising

At the Council Meeting of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) a resolution is adopted to raise the international solidarity. The resolution points out that there are millions of patriots, democrats and trade unionists



in prisons throughout the world. And the fighters from Ireland and Turkey, Morocco and Sudan, Salvador and Bolivia are to be supported. The WFTU also called all member organisations to raise the solidarity with DİSK and trade unionists of Turkey.

Heinz Oskar Vetter, president of the German Trade Unions (DGB) has sent a letter to General Evren, the head of the junta. He protested the demand of capital punishment for Abdullah Baştürk and 51 trade unionists because they have defended the rights and interests of the working class. Eugen Loderer, president of the IG-Metall affiliated to the DGB also sent a letter to Evren and underlined: "We, the trade unionists of Federal Germany are in sincere solidarity with the members and leaders of DİSK."

Harry Tisch, the president of the trade union center of the German Democratic Republic FDGB, in his protest letter on behalf of all members of the FDGB, protested the demand of capital punishment for the leaders of DİSK and expressed the solidarity of the workers of the German Democratic Republic.

At the eve of June, mass protest actions against the demand of capital punishment for the leaders of DİSK are organised by the CGT-federation of France in Paris, Lyon, Marceilles and Strasbourg, and protest letters are handed over to the foreign representatives of Turkey.

The organs of the fraternal parties issue articles and comments protesting the demand of capital punishment for the leaders of DİSK. "Morning Star", organ of the Communist Party of Great Britain, on 20 July 1981 writes: "The threat of death could not keep the leaders of DİSK to use the court as a platform in order to protect the interests of the working class Rizospastis, Haravgi, Unsere Zeit, die Wahrheit, L'Humanite and many organs of the fraternal parties published the statement of the Communist Party of Turkey of 15 June 1981 and pointed out, that not only DİSK, but also other democratic mass organisations are the targets of the most reactionary forces. That the solidarity with them carry a vital importance.

## **WORKING CLASS OF TURKEY AND OF THE WORLD COMMEMORATED KEMAL TÜRKLER**

Kemal Türkler, the former president of DİSK and Metal Workers' Trade Union affiliated to it, was commemorated by the working class of Turkey and of the world on the first anniversary of his death. Kemal Türkler was killed at the command of Alpaslan Türkeş, the leader of the fascist party, as it is written in the indictment of the fascist MHP. Workers from DİSK and Türk-İş (the still open trade union center) organised small meetings in order to commemorate Kemal Türkler. In foreign countries like F. Germany, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Sweden, where immigrant workers from Turkey live intensively, commemorating meetings were organised.

Kemal Daysal, member of the Executive Council of DİSK, Mehmet Karaca, Metin Denizmen, Murat Tokmak and Turhan Ata, members of the Bureau of DİSK, who had declared before that they are struggling in Turkey, on contrary to the arguments of the junta that they are abroad, made an appeal on the first anniversary of the death of Kemal Türkler. In their appeal, the trade unionists point out that this kind of unheard indictment against DİSK is an operation of those who want to save the MHP and to finish those actions which the MHP could not end. In the appeal all workers from DİSK and Türk-İş, all democra-



tic and patriotic forces are called to unite and it is said: "If this attack could not be repelled, then the trade union movement of Turkey would be always, in every period, suffer bloody actions for the interests of the monopolies. Those who want to see the leaders of DİSK being executed, are those, who want to see the whole working class as chained slaves. These are the representatives of the bosses and the big bankers. If in a country trade unionists are going to be executed because of legal activities, and if such a thing is permitted, then in that country even the smallest democratic right will be an illusion." The appeal of the trade unionists includes those demands:

- The court case against DİSK must stop and the trade unionists must be released.
- All trade union rights must be guaranteed.
- MHP and its supporters must give account for all their fascist murders.
- The responsables of the massacre on the 1 May 1977 must be enlightened.

The progressive youth of Turkey also distributed a leaflet in Turkey and commemorated Kemal Türkler, a prominent leader of the working class of Turkey. In their statement, the progressive youth, speaks about the political situation at the first anniversary of the murder of Kemal Türkler and points at the problems of the youth as well as the anti-democratic implementations at schools, universities, and in the factories where all democratic rights of the youth are abolished. The youth is called for united action, to stay away from individual terrorist actions, to hear to the voice of the working class and to contact with the Progressive Youth.

WFTU published on 22 July 1981 a statement and said:

"Before one year, on 22 July 1980, our brother Kemal Türkler was killed by the furious fascist murders... Kemal Türkler was a prominent leader of the trade union movement of Turkey. He was a symbol of the brave combativeness of the working class of his country. At the same time, he considered the unity of the workers of the world as his essential task. The WFTU is commemorating our brother Kemal Türkler respectfully whom we shall never forget".

In the statement of the WFTU, the demand of capital punishment for the leaders of DİSK is criticised sharply and it is said: "There is a force which can hinder the murder and save the lives of the leaders of DİSK. This force is in the solidarity of the international working class. This force lies in the unity of the great masses who delivered their last duty to our brother Kemal Türkler before one year and met at his funeral."

The CGT of France sent a letter to the government through the embassy of Turkey in Paris at the first anniversary of the death of Kemal Türkler. In this letter, the demand of capital punishment for the DİSK leaders is protested and it is said: "We are raising our voice against the anti-democratic and repressive implementations against the working class of Turkey and demand the immediate release of the progressive political prisoners, the end of the arrests of the trade union activists, the consolidation of the trade union rights and freedoms, as well as the abolition of the ban on DİSK and its affiliated trade unions."



## WHERE "LEFT" OPPORTUNISM MEET WITH IMPERIALISM?

The group "İşçinin Sesi" which is claiming to be a "fraction" of the CPT and the center of which is in London, started to talk too much against the relations of Turkey and the Soviet Union. But in its organ "İşçinin Sesi", (No. 162-163) R. Yürükoğlu, the boder of this "left" opportunist group can not attack these relations directly. So he is critising them, coming from the past of these relations directly. So he is critising them, coming from the past of these relations. He says: "Lenin never considered Atatürk as a friend". He is arguing that the "Soviet writers are distorting the history of Tsarism, in order to develop the good neighbourliness with Turkey" (p.10). So he is attacking the relations between Turkey and the Soviet Union, which is striking as a thorn into the eyes of imperialism.

US administration and the ruling circles of NATO are working for a long time to torpedo the relations between Turkey and the Soviet Union. They are mounting their dictates and cooperating in this issue with the most reactionary circles in our country.

On 31 May, in Istanbul a symposium on "the foreign policy of Atatürk" was organised by the Turkish-Atlantic Association, founded at the initiative of NATO. The main item of the agenda were these relations. The most reactionary forces insisted that these relations are "temporary", and they are "not necessary" today, when Turkey is a member of NATO.

Robert Komer, the advisor of US president Reagan on security issues, dictated on 14-17 June, at the "Turkish-American Conference" in Ankara the following: You must bring the relations with the Soviet Union out of the framework of good neighbourliness and cooperation!

So, such a position of Yürükoğlu coincides with the impositions of imperialism. The group "İşçinin Sesi" is defending such a position when imperialism is attacking detente directly and trying to hinder the cooperation of the countries with different social systems. Yürükoğlu is attacking the CPT because, it is defending the development of the relations between Turkey and the Soviet Union, as in other items. He is doing this in a period, when the most reactionary, pro-fascist forces are attacking the CPT diversely, and for example Ergun Göze, the commentator of the reactionary newspaper "Tercüman" writes on 28.7.1981: "Whoelse is saying that Russia helped Turkey, is supporting the CPT unintentionally", and threatens all antiimperialist forces directly.



## TO THE IX. CONGRESS OF THE POLISH UNITED WORKERS' PARTY

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working class of our country, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey sends militant revolutionary greetings to the IX. Congress of the fraternal Polish United Workers' Party.

US administration and the ruling circles of NATO which turned to the policy of confrontation with the socialist countries and fanning the arms race on the world scale, are instigating the counter revolutionary forces in the socialist Poland to seize the power. These efforts of the imperialists and the counter-revolutionary forces in the socialist Poland to seize the power. These efforts of the imperialists and the counter-revolutionary forces are directed against the independence of the people's Poland, the achievements of socialism, the security of the socialist community and peace in Europe. International reaction makes use of the developments in Poland in different countries, also in our country, for its anticommunist and anti-Soviet campaign.

In this regard, the developments in Poland carry big importance also for the working class of our country. Together with the communists and all patriots in Poland who are waging a consistent struggle against the counter-revolutionary elements, the CPT is sharing the views pointed out in the letter of the CC of the CPSU to the CC of the Polish United Workers' Party. We want to express our solidarity with the working people and all patriotic forces of Poland who work to solve the problems in Poland on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

We wish success to the IX. Congress of the Polish United Workers' Party.

Long live Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

15 July 1981

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## TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF COLOMBIA

Esteemed comrades,

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey sends its militant revolutionary and solidarity greetings to the III. Festival of "Voz Proletaria", the Central Organ of the Central Committee of the fraternal Communist Party of Colombia. The compatriotism between "Atılım", the Central Organ of the CC of the Communist Party of Turkey, an "Voz Proletaria", the Central Organ of the CC of the Communist Party of Colombia is strengthening on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. We are sure that the III. Festival of "Voz Proletaria" will be an important event in the political life of Colombia.

With our communist greetings

18 July 1981

İ. Bilen  
General Secretary  
CC, CPT



## TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE BULGARIAN COMMUNIST PARTY

Esteemed comrades,

We have learned the unexpected death of comrade Ludmilla Zhivkova, member of the Political Bureau of the CC of the Bulgarian Communist Party and president of the Committee for Culture, with a deep sorrow. The communists and all progressive forces of Turkey know comrade Ludmilla Zhivkova as an active communist. Comrade Ludmilla Zhivkova made important contributions to the building of socialism in Bulgaria, the development of the culture in Bulgaria and the strengthening of the relations between Turkey and the People's Republic of Bulgaria.

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey shares the deep sorrow of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party and of comrade Todor Zhivkov the general secretary of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party, and expresses its condolences.

23 July 1981

With our communist greetings

İ. Bilen  
General Secretary  
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## TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE SOUT AFRICAN COMMUNIST PARTY

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working class of our country, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey congratulates the 60th anniversary of the founding of the fraternal South African Communist Party cordially and conveys its militant revolutionary greetings.

The South African Communist Party which was founded within hard class struggles has repelled every kind of attack of the enemy, despite of heaviest persecutions, despite of its thousands of martyrs from its ranks including brave leaders. Along its history of 60 years, it has never given any concession from the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. It has always appreciated highly the solidarity with the Party and Land of Great Lenin. It has organised the struggle of the masses. Today, together with the ANC, it is in the frontmost line of the struggle of the people of South Africa against imperialism, its bulwark, Botha regime, against racism and Apartheid. It is rallying the unity of the broadest antiimperialist forces. We, the communists of Turkey want to express our fraternal solidarity with the struggle of the communists of South Africa once more on the occasion of this glorious anniversary.

Comrades,

US imperialism and the ruling circles of NATO have increased their dictates on our country which is ruled by a military dictatorship since 12 September 1980. The pressures and blackmails on Turkey, to become an aggressive bulwark of imperialism against the neighbouring socialist countries and Arab countries, are intensifying. The anticommunist attacks of the most reactionary, pro-American, pro-fascism forces inside and outside the army and the junta on the working class of Turkey and its organisations are mounting. The Communist Party of Turkey is struggling under grave conditions to establish the united front of all national democratic forces against imperialist dictates, exploitation and plunder of the monopolies, dependence on NATO, and for peace, national independence, for job, bread and freedom.

We wish great success to the South African Communist Party on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of its founding.

With our communist greetings

30 July 1981

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